

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. - 3. (Cancelled)

4. (Currently Amended) A gift certificate issuing system comprising:

~~a first-display unit for displaying a screen used for inputting an item, the item being data required for use for issuance of a gift certificate, the data comprising a using condition that specifies whether the gift certificate may be redeemed for an item selected by a redeemer of the gift certificate;~~

~~a first~~an input unit for receiving an input of the item

~~a holding-storage unit for capturing the item fed~~storing the data inputted into the first input unit in association with a specific code and a payment method; and

~~an issuing unit for issuing the gift certificate having a~~comprising the specific code for indicating ~~at least a paying method instead of without an indication of a face value, based on the item captured into the holding unit of the gift certificate.~~

5. (Currently Amended) A gift certificate issuing system according to claim 4, further comprising ~~a payment-specifying unit based on the item captured into the holding unit a~~database that stores payment information.

6. (Currently Amended) A gift certificate issuing system according to claim 4,

~~wherein the item~~the data further includes at least one of ~~a using condition in using the gift certificate, a password input in using the gift certificate, and a paying method of the gift certificate~~a password input in using the gift certificate.

7. (Currently Amended) A gift certificate issuing system according to claim 4, wherein ~~the holding~~the storage unit stores the specific code.

8. (Original) A gift certificate issuing system according to claim 4, wherein the issuing unit enters a using condition in the gift certificate.

9. (Currently Amended) A gift certificate using system comprising:

a ~~second~~-display unit for displaying a screen used for inputting ~~an item, the item being~~data required for use of a gift certificate, the data comprising a using condition that specifies whether the gift certificate may be redeemed for an item selected by a redeemer of the gift certificate;

a ~~second~~an input unit for ~~receiving an input of the item~~inputting the data based on the screen displayed by the ~~second~~-display unit;

a ~~holding-storage~~ unit for ~~capturing-storing~~ the ~~item-fed~~data inputted into the ~~second~~ input unit; and

a paying unit for executing a ~~collation-based-on-the-item-captured-by-the holding~~comparison using the using condition stored in the storage unit and then executing a predetermined processing based on a ~~collation-result of the comparison~~.

10. (Currently Amended) A gift certificate using system according to claim 9, wherein ~~the item~~the data includes ~~at least one of a specific code entered in the gift certificate, information of a desired commodity, and a password~~a password.

11. (Currently Amended) A gift certificate using system according to claim 9, wherein ~~the item~~the data is displayed in a question form on the second display unit.

12. (Original) A gift certificate using system according to claim 9, wherein the processing executed by the paying unit includes at least one of a predetermined paying processing and an invalidating processing of the gift certificate.

13. (Currently Amended) A gift certificate issuing method comprising the steps of:

displaying a screen used for inputting ~~an item, the item being~~data required ~~for use for~~issuance of a gift certificate, the data comprising a using condition that specifies whether the gift certificate may be redeemed for an item selected by a redeemer of the gift certificate;

receiving an input of ~~the item~~the data based on the displayed screen;

~~capturing-storing the input-item~~input data in association with a specific code and payment method; and

~~issuing a gift~~the gift certificate ~~having-a~~comprising the specific code ~~for indicating at least a paying method instead~~without an indication of a face value ~~based on the captured item of the gift certificate.~~

14. (Currently Amended) A gift certificate using method comprising the steps of:

~~displaying a screen used for inputting an item, the item-being~~data required for use of a gift certificate, ~~the data comprising a using condition that specifies whether the gift certificate may be redeemed for an item selected by a redeemer of the gift certificate;~~

receiving an input of ~~the item~~the data based on the screen;

~~capturing-storing the input-item~~input data; and

~~executing a collation-based on the captured item~~comparison using the stored data and then executing a predetermined processing based on a ~~collation-result of the comparison.~~

15. (Currently Amended) A ~~computer-computer-executable program product for~~ issuing a gift certificate comprising-tangibly embodied on a computer-readable medium for ~~executing~~ the steps of:

~~displaying a screen used for Inputting an item, the item-being~~data required ~~for use for~~ issuance of a gift certificate, ~~the data comprising a using condition that specifies whether the gift certificate may be redeemed for an item selected by a redeemer of the gift certificate;~~

receiving an input of ~~the item~~the data based on the displayed screen;

~~capturing-storing the input-item~~input data in association with a specific code and a payment method; and

~~issuing a gift~~the gift certificate ~~having-a~~comprising the specific code ~~for indicating at least a paying method instead~~without an indication of a face value ~~based on the captured item of the gift certificate.~~

16. (Currently Amended) A ~~computer-computer-executable program product for~~
~~using a gift certificate comprising~~tangibly embodied on a computer-readable medium for
executing the steps of:

displaying a screen used for inputting ~~an item, the item being~~data required for use of a
gift certificate, the data comprising a using condition that specifies whether the gift certificate
may be redeemed for an item selected by a redeemer of the gift certificate;

receiving an input of ~~the item~~the data based on the screen;

~~capturing-storing the input item~~input data; and

executing a ~~collation-based on the captured item~~comparison using the stored using
condition and then executing a predetermined processing based on a ~~collation-result of the~~
comparison.

17. (New) A gift certificate issuing system according to claim 6, wherein the data
further includes the payment method of the gift certificate.

18. (New) A gift certificate using system according to claim 10, wherein the data
further includes at least one of a specific code entered in the gift certificate and information
about a desired commodity.